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Subject: RE: meconium possible talking points

Hi all

In anticipation for media follow up on this talk, Andrew wants us to be available after the talk if we need to do an interview with Susan and/or Nora or others. Please let me know if you are not available Wednesday afternoon. If requested we can set up a call for an interview, and I will let you know when that is. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

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Hi Folks

This should be of interest to the Working Group:

April 10 Dr. Katie Hailer, Department of Chemistry & Geochemistry, Montana Tech

Assessing Human Metal Accumulations in an Urban Superfund Site

Her talk is at 12:00 in the Chemistry Biology Building (CBB) Room 102

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Nikia,

If Katie Hailer presents the baby poop data in her April 10th presentation, here are some possible counter points.

All the data shows is that there is a difference between the meconium in the Butte newborns vs the SC newborn

Absolutely does not make any inferences to possible health effect

Virtually impossible to determine health effect from levels in baby poop. Little to no national data on meconium and metal levels nationally

It is certainly an interesting finding and support Dr. Hailer in her investigation, offering what ever assistance we can. We are supportive of a more thorough scientific investigation into this possible difference. At this time the data are too limited to establish if this difference actually exists, but believe that it is a worthwhile endeavor.

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